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SUBJ: CSCE: MALTESE PROPOSAL FOR MEDITERRANEAN MONITORING COMMITTEE

REF: A) STATE 206185; B) GENEVA 5944; C) GENEVA A-345

1. IN RECENT NATO CAUCUS (REF C) IT WAS AGREED THAT WAY TO
HANDLE MATESE PAPER WAS TO TREAT IT AS LONG RANGE PROPOSAL
INTENDED AS FOOD FOR THOUGHT, SINCE IT COVERED MATTERS
BEYOND IMMEDIATE COMPETENCE OF CSCE. CAUCUS AGREED BEST
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COURSE OF ACTION WAS TO KEEP DISCUSSION IN COORDINATING

COMMITTEE, WHERE IT COULD BE HANDLED IN CONTEXT OF POLITE EXCHANGE OF GENERAL VIEWS.

2. AT COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING OCT. 31, UK AND FRENCH REPS ACCORDINGLY EXPRESSED THOUGHT THAT MALTESE PAPER CONTAINED INTERESTING LONG RANGE VIEWS, MANY OF WHICH INTENDED FOR CONSIDERATION OUTSIDE CONFERENCE FRAMEWORK.

3. US DEL ASSOCIATED ITSELF WITH UK AND FRENCH REMARKS, BUT, IN VIEW OF INSTRUCTIONS REF A, EXPRESSED THOUGHT MORE DIRECTLY THAT MALTESE DOCUMENT EXCEEDED CONFERENCE MANDATE.

4. YUGOSLAVS, ITALIANS, ROMANIANS, AUSTRIANS, SWISS, CYPRIOTS, GREEKS AND TURKS SPOKE OF MALTESE PROPOSAL ON SAME LEVEL OF NONCOMITTAL GENERALITY AND DID NOT SUGGEST NEW SPECIFIC MEASURES IN CSCE CONTEXT. GREEK DEL WENT SO FAR AS TO SAY THAT MALTESE PAPER WOULD HAVE "POWERFUL ECHOES" IN CONFERENCE, BUT HE DID NOT SPECIFY. EASTERN DELEGATIONS REMAINED SILENT.

5. MALTESE REP CONFINED HIMSELF TO THANKING DELS WHO SPOKE AND PROMISED MORE DETAILED REPLY LATER. ABRAMS

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